

Title (en)

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ENHANCING PRINTING QUALITY BY REDUCING ARTIFACTS

Title (de)

METHODE UND VERFAHREN UM DIE DRUCKQUALITÄT ZU VERBESSERN DURCH REDUZIERUNG VON ARTEFAKTEN

Title (fr)

APPAREIL ET PROCEDE POUR AMELIORER LA QUALITE D'IMPRESSION EN REDUISANT LA PRESENCE DE DEFAULTS

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